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### **GovGuam Holds Donation Drive for CNMI**

The Offices of Guam Homeland Security and Civil Defense (GHS/OCD) have been directed to lead donation efforts on behalf of the Government of Guam to support those affected by Super Typhoon Yutu in the CNMI.

In-kind donations will be accepted at the GHS/OCD facility in Agana Heights beginning Tuesday, October 30, 2018 – Saturday, November 10, 2018. The hours of operation are:

Monday - Friday: 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Saturdays: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

**Sundays and Holidays: CLOSED** 

As part of the relief effort, GHS/OCD, working with partner agencies will be outsourcing for containers to be shipped and are available to assist in transporting goods to Saipan and Tinian as needed.

The following items are being accepted at this time:

- Canned Goods
- Rice
- Flashlights and Lanterns
- Batteries
- Tarp
- Duct Tape

- \*Monetary donations are **not** being accepted at GHS/OCD at this time. For those wanting to make monetary donations, the following locations are accepting:
  - Guam Department of Education Coin Drive monetary donations can be made at GDOE school offices
  - Agat Mayor's Office is hosting a separate money drive for Tinian
  - All Bank of Guam branches are accepting cash or check contributions
  - Ayuda Foundation with BankPacific are collecting monetary donations
  - Prutehi Litekyan and Håya Foundation are accepting monetary donations online at <a href="bit.ly/YutuRelief">bit.ly/YutuRelief</a>, under the memo "typhoon relief efforts"

Items that are not in boxes are still able to be accepted and will be boxed and consolidated at the GHS/OCD facility. Requested items may change throughout the donation period based on the requests and needs of the people in CNMI. Stay up to date with the latest information regarding the donation drive at:

<sup>\*</sup>Please note bottled water is **not** being accepted at GHS/OCD this time.

- GHS/OCD Website: https://ghs.guam.gov/
- · GHS/OCD Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/GHSOCD/

## **GovGuam Agencies**

Government of Guam agencies are requested to consolidate all donated items within their respective agencies and deliver them in bulk to GHS/OCD. All Guam Fire Department stations are also collecting donations to be delivered in bulk to GHS/OCD.

# **Other Groups/Organizations**

GHS/OCD is able to assist other groups such as faith-based organizations, non-profit organizations, or any others that are facilitating donation drives by receiving their donations in bulk at GHS/OCD to be shipped to CNMI.

### **Families or Individuals**

GHS/OCD is open to the public. Any that want to donate the appropriate items are asked to drop them to the GHS/OCD facility during the hours of operation provided.

For more information regarding accepted items or hours of operation, contact the GHS/OCD 24/7 watch desk at (671) 475-9600.

For media inquiries, contact GHS/OCD Public Information Officer Jenna G. Blas at (671) 489-2540 or via email at jenna.g.blas@ghs.guam.gov.

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